

Recommendation for Board Action				
Austin Housing Finance Corporation	Item ID	18366	Agenda Number	5.
Meeting Date:	9/27/2012		Department:	Neighborhood and Community Development
Subject				
<p>Authorize the negotiation and execution of a one-year contract with the AUSTIN AREA URBAN LEAGUE in an amount not to exceed \$1,000, 000 to fund and administer the Emergency Home Repair Program.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$1,000,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Operating Budget of Austin Housing Finance Corporation. Funding is contingent on the release of Fiscal Year 2013 federal funds from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:				
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Contact Elizabeth A. Spencer, Treasurer, Austin Housing Finance Corporation, 974-3182.			
Boards and Commission Action:	September 22, 2011 - Austin Housing Finance Corporation Board approved a one-year contract that expires September 30, 2012.			
MBE / WBE:				
Related Items:				
Additional Backup Information				
<p>If approved, funding will be provided for a one-year contract to fund the Emergency Home Repair (EHR) program administered by the Austin Area Urban League (AAUL). The EHR program provides emergency and critical repairs to owner-occupied homes located in the City of Austin. The program addresses potentially life-threatening health and safety issues and helps preserve existing housing stock. The homeowners assisted by this program must reside in the home, and their total household incomes cannot exceed 80 percent of the Austin area Median Family Income (MFI – currently \$60,700 for a family of four). The EHR program has been in existence for over thirty years.</p> <p>Services to be provided by AAUL under the contract include responding to client requests for repairs, verifying client eligibility, developing specifications for repairs, facilitating repairs, using licensed contractors and other skilled tradespersons and providing quality assurance for the work performed.</p> <p>A total of 475 unduplicated households will be served. The assistance provided by this program is in the form of a grant to the homeowner. The cost of repairing any home under this program shall not exceed \$5,000 per fiscal year. The contract term shall be from October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013.</p>				

